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RESPONSE TO THE FIRST OFFICE ACTION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents United States Patent and Trademark Office P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In reply to the first Office Action, dated August 20, 2008 (*Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time*, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and requisite extension fee of \$555.00 (small entity) being concurrently remitted via EFT), Applicant respectfully replies to the outstanding Office Action via the *Remarks* presented on the following pages: